

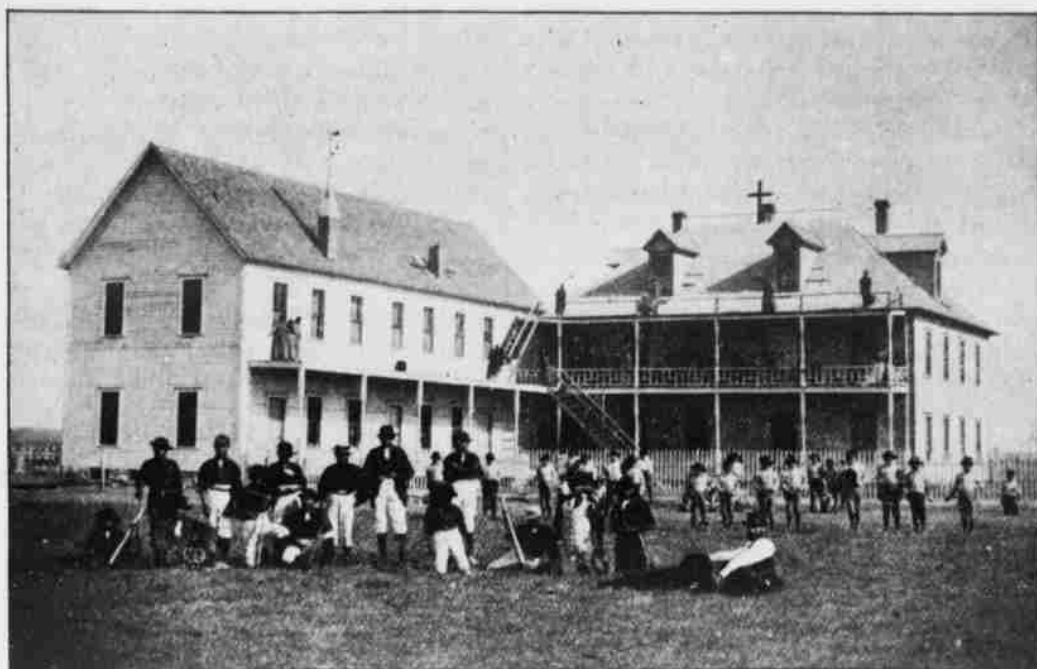
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ST. PATRICK'S MISSION.

St. Patrick's Mission, at Anadarko, Indian Territory, was established about four years ago. Rev. Fr. Isidore Ricklin, O. S. B., its chaplain and wise director, is a man of indomitable perseverance, and though the obstacles to its success were and are yet many, he has calmly surmounted and will continue to overcome them. To Mother Catherine Drexel, the noble protectress of the Indians, this mission owes much. She furnished first the necessary funds for the residence of the priest. How grateful the red men ought to be, and what loving prayers should they pour to the throne of God for their benefactress!

Not long afterward, money from the

same source came for the erection of a convent. A substantial house, 30x40 and two stories high, was built. The Sisters of St. Francis, of Philadelphia, took it in charge. Sister Emiliana, the Superioress, has great influence over the Indians, and the improvements made under her supervision are almost incredible.

The mission grounds are located on one of the most delightful hills of the Territory. Fruitful orchards and gardens, well-kept lawns make the convent-mission a charming home.

Seeing the necessity of more accommodation for the children, an addition, 30x50, two and a half stories high, has been made last year. Here they have